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### CHLORIDE PEOPLE PROTEST CUTTING OF TRAIN SCHEDULE

Mining men and business men of Chloride appeared before the corporation commission of Kingman this week protesting against the cutting down of the train service to Chloride. In mentioning the matter the Arizona Republican says:

According to the letter on file with the commission train and mail service have been eliminated on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and a further cut down to once a week train service is threatened. Asking protection against the alleged arbitrary stoppage of trains, the petitioners remind the commission that the Santa Fe "is yet amenable to state control."

The petition was signed by the New Mohawk Mining company, the Chloride Mining company, Chloride Mines company, Dardanelles Mining company, Molly Gibson Mining company in addition to leading townsmen, managers of the mercantile establishments and other citizens.

They addressed the commission as follows:

The town of Chloride, Mohave county, Arizona, has already suffered from lack of usual train and mail service, by elimination of Monday, Wednesday and Friday trains on the Santa Fe railroad. This has been a severe blow to mine operators and business men in general, and we are now threatened with a further cutdown of train service until we shall have but one train per week. Just what will then happen to the mail service we do not know, but presume that it also will be cut down to one per week until such time as the postoffice department negotiates for a jitney service.

We recognize the fact that times are "hard" and that mining business here as well as other places, is at a low ebb, but we fail to see just why our industries should be entirely eliminated, we fail to see just why this town should be deprived of all chance for progress and recuperation which is what this arbitrary stoppage of train and mail service will accomplish and we believe the corporation commission should protect us.

Some months ago the Santa Fe arbitrarily took off the daily train for three days per week and the mails were also taken off. The reason for this was "lack of business". It should be noticed that this lack of business practically results from the increase in freight rates recently applied by the railroads. This increase was immediately followed by an increase in smelter charges and the result has been to stop all possibility of ore shipments from this section since there is now no possibility of profits from ore shipments from this section.

The postoffice department cut down our mail service to three times per week without explanation, disregarding the needs of established business operations. Upon inquiry we are informed by the department that they think it reasonable in Washington on account of the decrease in our population, which may be characterized as somewhat feeble reasoning. It is however, about what might be expected of the department which about a year ago moved the location of our postoffice upon the report of the inspector, and with no regard for the wishes of the majority of the townspeople and contracted with a non-resident of the town for the use of a brick building in which no brick has ever developed upon relative costs which have never been realized.

If the people of Chloride have any rights and are entitled to any consideration, protection in their business we shall be obliged if your honorable body will so advise us and assist us to secure them. As residents of the state of Arizona we seek some protection from our state government against the arbitrary action of certain outside corporations which are yet amenable to state control.

#### NOTICE

The first installment of 1920 Taxes will become delinquent Monday, November 1st, 1920.

WAYNE HUBBS,  
County Treasurer

#### BUSINESS MEETING

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their monthly business meeting in the church parlors next Wednesday afternoon. All members are requested to be present.

### POOR DAY FOR BALL GAME LAST SUNDAY

The married men took the count in last Sunday's ball game at the hands of the single men. The score stood 8 to 5.

The day was cold and so a poor one for a ball game. Smith and Bale twirled for the single men with Grantham receiving, while Knorr and Price did the battery work for the married men.

Grantham and Hammerslaw each tapped out a home run and Bale, Grantham and Smith pulled a double play.

The boys were all out of practice.

### POISON CASE IS UP IN J. P.'S COURT

Last Tuesday a hearing was given in the cause of The State of Arizona versus John Tatum, Curtis Tatum and William Bartlett, whom a complaint alleges to have caused strychnine, to be mixed with food and to have caused its administration to one M. B. Lauzon.

During the examination nearly all of the people living in the Serchlight Ferry section, gave testimony before the court and the hearing has now been continued to a later date pending the procuring of further evidence, which it seems will be gotten by the studios endeavor and combined efforts of Sheriff Mahoney, his deputies and County Attorney Stewart.

The case has many angles and it is very possible that it will prove interesting before its completion.

### PARK-TO-PARK COMMISSION PASSED THROUGH HERE

The Park to Park Motorcade, which has been making the round of all the National Parks and National Monuments of the country, arrived in Kingman last Tuesday evening. The Motorcade was met at Oatman by Carl G. Krook, M. B. Dudley, C. J. Walters and Anson H. Smith and escorted to town. The party was met at the Colorado river by H. C. Topp and Charles Pugh, and conveyed to Oatman, where they were served with an appetizing lunch. At the luncheon members of the party made short talks on the features of the Park to Park highway, which was well received by the audience. After luncheon the members of the party were taken through the United Eastern mine and mill, leaving about five o'clock for Kingman.

The party is composed of Gus Holms, of Cody, Wyoming; Scott Leavitt, Great Falls, Montana; Harry N. Burhans, Denver; A. G. Lucas, New York City; M. W. Lush, Cleveland; L. A. Shawver, Shoshone, Wyo.; Rodney Davis, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Pershing, New York City and O. Van Wych, of Washington. This party has made the rounds from Denver by way of all the parks and expects to arrive in Denver on the 9th of November. They are the pathfinders and on their report will be based the future of the Park-to-Park highway. Back of the movement is the Bureau of Parks, of which Stephen T. Mather is the head, and which is a part of the Interior Department of the government. Mr. Mather is intensely interested in the building of the roads to connect the parks and believes that congress will provide the funds to hard surface all the roads that will be used as connecting links of this great project.

At Kingman a dinner was served at the Harvey House, and later a large number of the people of the town gathered at the Elks Club to learn from the visitors the purpose of the pathfinding trip. This meeting was called to order by Judge Krook, who introduced the speakers of the evening. Messrs. Holms, Burhans, Van Wych and Leavitt talked interestingly of their trip and of the wonderful benefits that would accrue to the communities through which the big roadway would pass.

The Knights of Pythias Band furnished delightful music during the evening.

The following morning the party departed to the Grand Canyon, where the big gorge will be inspected. They were accompanied as far as Berry by Judge Krook and Mr. Dudley. Assistant State Engineer O'Connell accompanied the party to Seligman.

### ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAM ARRANGED BY AMERICAN LEGION

At a meeting held last Tuesday evening it was decided to arrange for some kind of a celebration to further the cause of the American Legion in Kingman. The following program was drawn up and if supported by all members of the Legion and citizens in Kingman it will prove to be a day of fun and enjoyment to all.

PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS  
Band Concert on West Beale Street from 1:30 P. M. to 2:00 P. M.

Events.  
Bicycle race for boys from the age of ten to fourteen years. Course: One complete circuit of the block.

Three legged race. For boys from the age of 8 to 14 years. Distance 25 yards.

Fifty yard dash. For girls from the age of 10 to 16 years.

Potato race. For boys from the age of 8 to 14 years. Distance 40 yards with 4 potatoes in line 10 yards apart.

One hundred yard dash. For boys from the age of 12 to 16 years.

Sack race. Free for all boys and girls. Distance 25 yards.

Fat Ladies race. For ladies weighing 180 pounds or over. (Limited to three). Distance 25 yards.

Peanut race. Free for all boys and girls, men and women. Distance 25 yards.

A sufficient number of prizes have been obtained to allow a first second and third prize for all the above specified races, and will be announced in next weeks issue.

Anyone desirous of entering any of the above events see R. S. Adams at once so all necessary arrangements can be made beforehand. In the evening a Band Concert will be given at the Odd Fellows Hall from 8:30 P. M. to 9:00 P. M. followed by a dance. Come, bring your sweetheart, bring your wife, bring your sister and don't forget to bring your mother.

Armistice Day is a day that should be long remembered by all red blooded Americans, and even though you have to make some small personal sacrifice to turn out and help the boys make a success of the occasion, do so for you surely haven't forgotten the sacrifices they have made for you. And above all we must not on this day forget those still over there, who made the supreme sacrifice. Come, rally to the support of the American Legion as its members rallied to the support of our flag and country in 1917. Help make the American Legion here what it is in every other community in the United States and what it should be in Kingman.

Everybody come and dance.

### EASTERN CROOK NAB- BED BY MAHONEY

Sheriff Mahoney made one of the most important catches of the year this week, when he landed one W. G. Gardner. Gardner alias George Do-coma, alias G. T. Collier is wanted in Minneapolis for grand larceny and burglary and is also wanted in El Paso. The immediate charge against Gardner is the theft of a Cadillac car, which he was driving. The Burns Detective Agency, who was looking for the man, sent the following wire to Sheriff Mahoney when they were notified that he had made the capture, "A thousand thanks, will send some cigars".

After Gardner landed in Kingman the other night, probably thinking he had hit a tank town, with tank town officers, he tried to dispose of four tires he had stolen. This aroused the suspicions of the Sheriff's office and they arrested him. It was later found that the tires had been taken from a car which had been left on the road between Jerome and Prescott belonging to District Attorney John L. Sullivan, of Yavapai County. Gardner was on his way to California. The Cadillac he was driving had been stolen in Kansas City and the Burns Agency had been hunting for him for months.

Sheriff Mahoney also picked up a Baby Overland and a Ford this side of Peach Springs. Both cars had been abandoned. The Overland had been stolen from Camp Verde.

### MEET TO ARRANGE FOR DELEGATES TO DENVER MINE MEETING

The mine operators of Oatman last week called a meeting of the people of the county who are interested in the prosperity of the mines to meet with them at the big gold camp last Saturday evening. George B. Ayers, R. H. Hayward, R. S. Billings and Anson H. Smith went over from Kingman and a number of gentlemen came up from Needles to add their mite to the program. Informal talks were made by V. P. Lucas, Judge Root, R. S. Billings, B. W. Phelps and Anson H. Smith, taking the subject of the necessity for the protection of gold mining as their theme. The meeting was rather well attended, the raw, cold day keeping only a few away from the meeting.

At this meeting it was thought best to call a meeting at Kingman Friday afternoon for the purpose of selecting delegates to the meeting of the American Mining Congress, which holds its session at Denver from the 15th to 20th of November, and also to select delegates to meet with the Park to Park convention at the same place on the 11th to 13th of November.

The meeting was held at the courthouse yesterday afternoon, a large delegation of people interested in mining and good road work being present. C. J. Walters, as chairman, called the meeting to order. After informal talks by R. W. Moore, of the United Eastern, B. W. Phelps, of the Tom Reed; Anson H. Smith, R. S. Billings, C. G. Krook, M. B. Dudley, of Kingman, it was resolved to send M. B. Dudley to the meeting of the American Mining Congress as a representative of Mohave County. Beaus Phelps will represent the Tom Reed, R. W. Moore the United Eastern, E. A. Ritter, the Mossback, C. B. Bell the Highland Mining company, and W. C. Howard the New Comstock. All of these gentlemen expressed their intention of so arranging their affairs that they might be present.

After the appointment of the delegates to the Congress the matter of the Park to Park convention was brought up and Judge Krook told the assembled people what the new highway meant to the people of the county of Mohave and all the communities situated along the National Old Trails roads. Others entered into discussion of the great importance of the Park to Park highway. On motion of R. L. Anderson Judge C. G. Krook was selected to represent Mohave county at the meeting at Denver.

The men who will represent Mohave county at the two important meetings in Denver are among the best men of the county and who have a whole-souled interest in the subjects that will be under consideration.

### MOHAVE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The first Basket Ball game, Williams High School vs. Mohave County Union High School, will be played at Williams on the evening of November 5th. A return game with Williams is scheduled to be played in Kingman November 25th. On Wednesday evening William St. Charles, center on the local High School five, was elected captain of the team. New uniforms have been ordered and will be broken in on the Williams trip.

On Friday evening Oct. 29th the Junior Class entertained the High School at a Halloween Party in the gymnasium.

On Monday the Sherwin Cody Efficiency Test on General Information was given to the High School student body. It is pleasing to note that the general average for the school on this test was six points above the average for high school students. The names of the five students making the best average follow: First: Toler White; second: Toler White; third: Charles Ketcham; Doris Hayward, Bradford St. Charles.

The last three students tied for third place.

#### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Sunday, October 31.  
Mass will be said at 10:30 A. M. Evening Services at 7:00 P. M.

Monday, November 1st. All Saints Day. Mass will be said at 7:00 A. M. FATHER HOOTSMANS.

### MEETING ON BIRTH- DAY OF ROOSEVELT

The League of Republican Women held a meeting at Republican Headquarters Wednesday evening. A number of topics suited to the occasion were presented and discussed in an interesting manner by different women. The fact that Oct. 27th was the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt had been brought to the notice of the League and several of the gentlemen present were invited to give short talks in tribute to his memory. The evening closed with Gen. Leonard Wood's speech on Roosevelt, given on the phonograph.

### TO GET THE RETURNS NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

All is in readiness for the handling of the election returns in Kingman next Tuesday night. They will be received at the Beale Hotel and at the Harding Republican Club headquarters.

Wires will be run in to both places. The wires will be used for the National and state tickets and the telephone company will handle returns for the county.

Coffee will be served at the Harding Republican Club at about midnight.

Ladies are welcome as well as the men.

### STATE FEDERATION OF MUSICAL CLUBS NOV. 8

A cordial invitation is extended to you to attend the organization Convention of the State Federation of Musical Clubs to be held in Phoenix, Arizona, November eighth, at 9:30 A. M. Woman's Club Building, the Musicians' Club of Phoenix Hostess.

At this meeting the formal adoption of a Constitution and By-Laws will be made and officers elected for the ensuing term.

All musical organizations are invited to send representatives, also year books, programs, and printed accounts of special features of interest which will be compiled, catalogued and preserved for future reference, when the history of music in Arizona may be written. Composers of music are invited to send copies of their compositions for the exhibit.

We have called this convention on the opening day of the State Fair, that the delegates may get the benefit of the reduced rates to Phoenix, and we plan to get through the business of organization in the morning. This will leave the afternoon open for attendance at the Fair. You will be the guests of the Musicians' Club in the evening when an Artists' program will be presented.

Please send the names of delegates and representatives to Mrs. H. M. Fennimore, 501 E. Moreland Street, Phoenix, that we may plan to meet your train, and assist you in finding accommodations.

Cordially and sincerely,  
MRS. H. D. ROSS,  
State President.

### HALLOWE'EN DANCE TO- NIGHT ODD FELLOWS HALL

The Halloween Dance to be given tonight at the Odd Fellows Hall by the Thursday Afternoon Club promises to be the best of the year. The Club dances have already established a reputation for themselves, but with added Halloween features this dance promises to outdo those of former years.

A good many tickets have been disposed of but if you have not gotten yours, come anyway.

#### ATTEND MEETING AT THE CAPITAL

R. W. Wilde, vice-president; W. A. Richardson, secretary and O. E. Slinack, auditor represented the Desert Power and Water Company this week at a conference in Phoenix of the Arizona, Gas, Electric Light and Power Association. They also attended hearings of the Association before the Arizona Corporation Commission on October 25th.

### STATE OFFICIALS ADDRESS MEETING OF DEMOCRATS HERE

One of the largest gatherings of this political campaign greeted Wiley E. Jones, Henderson Stockton and Raymond R. Earhart at Elks Hall last Thursday evening. Excellent music by the K. P. Band brought the people together, the band marching from the Main street plaza to the hall and there playing several airs.

Judge E. E. Bollinger was introduced to the audience as the chairman of the evening by county chairman George B. Ayers, and Judge Bollinger made a most eloquent address in introducing Mr. Stockton. Mr. Stockton confined himself almost exclusively to the League of Nations, but first making a home run off Ralph Cameron's delivery. He referred to the promises of Ralph Cameron as the vapors of a candidate with no settled object in life other than the winning of an election. He gave Mr. Cameron's record as custodian of the people's business while chairman of the board of supervisors of Coconino county, and also gave his record of accomplishments while a delegate in congress, as shown by the Congressional Record, which contradicted everything that he was putting out a political propaganda in the state. He said that when the statehood bill was passed and Arizona adopted a constitution, Ralph Cameron used every political device at his command to prevent Pres. Taft from issuing the necessary proclamation declaring Arizona a state, and also that Mr. Cameron had passed an enabling act that perpetuated himself in office for three years. He called attention to the wonderful accomplishments of Mark Smith and his associates in congress during the past eight years.

In the matter of the League of Nations Mr. Stockton carried his audience with him, going fully into the details of that wonderful document, so that none were so dense that they could not understand its every intendment. His talk was along the theory that our boys went over the big pond to assure the world that no other great nation would be able to rise again and menace the world with a devastating war, and that if the League of Nations was not adopted our country would be the only one of the worth-while nations that would be outside its benign influence.

Mr. Earhart told the audience that he was a candidate for the office of state treasurer and also called attention to the good points of the other candidates who could not appear at this meeting. His talk was well received and he apparently made many friends among the people of Kingman.

Attorney General Wiley E. Jones took up the matter of the land board, which has occupied the center of the stage the past six months and which is the basis of Gov. Campbell's campaign. Mr. Jones gave a history of the formation of the land board; its efforts to select, classify and lease the lands so that an income might be brought into the school fund of the state; the selection and sale of the lands that were given the state for the redemption of the railroad bonds, and the fact that so far only about 750,000 acres of the million acres that were given for this purpose were sold, and contrary to the statement of Gov. Campbell, no other lands have so far been put on the market. He showed by the record that about 8,000,000 acres out of the 10,500,000 that were given the state by the federal government have been leased, and that more than 2,000,000 acres were now ready to be leased. He also showed that more than 7,000 people held leases, and that there were only a few large leases of lands given, to any of the big cattle interests, although some of the big cattle companies were in need of these acres to consolidate their holdings and allow of fencing and the protection of the range from overgrazing. He told them that Tom Campbell was the father of house bill 60, which finally passed the legislature and which was refused signature and became a law because of non-action. He told of the strictures of Campbell on the measure during the campaign, but read from the declarations of the governor prior to its passage where he pledged himself to its promulgation as a law. He stated that the record showed that he and Tom Campbell, as well as the other three members of the land board, voted as a unit for all leases, classifications and sales.

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